THE CASE OF George Bovverman, Esq;

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Lately Chosen and now Sitting MEMBER of the *Honourable HOUSE of COMMONS*, for the Burrough of *Bridport* in the County of *Dorset*.

COlonel *Bishop* being dead, A Warrant issued from the *Speaker* of the Honourable *House of Commons* to the Clerk of the Crown, to cause a Writ to be made for the Chooſing a new Burgess for the said Burrough; Whereupon the Bayliffs and most of the Electors of that Place sent to Mr. *Bowerman*, desiring him to serve them as their Burgess.

Immediately after such their Request, Mr. *Bowerman* went to the Burrough, and expected a Warrant from the Sheriff upon the said Writ; but the Writ being detained in some private hand, he could not then have the fruit of his Journey.

In *December* last, upon a second Invitation, Mr. *Bowerman* went thither again, and soon after was chosen, and is duely Returned.

Notwithstanding which, one Mr. *Hurding* pretending to be Elected, hath put in his Petition, and caused others likewise to do the same; And thereupon the Cause is appointed to be heard the 29th. of this instant *March*.

The whole Number of Electors doth not exceed 280.
Of which Mr. *Bowerman* had 198.

Capt
W. L. Bowman